

## Order of Service

Pastor Michael A. Turner, Officiating

Prelude

Processional-----Ministers and Family

Opening Hymn

Invocation-----Evangelist Mozie Brown

Scripture Readings-----Old Testament

Psalms 23-Prophetess Rhonda Frazier

New Testament

St. John 14-Min. James Ford, III

Selection -----Garden of Prayer Choir

Reflections-----Open Floor

Please limit to 3 minutes

Acknowledgements -- Min. Michael Jefferson

Selection -----Garden of Prayer Choir

Words of Comfort ---Rev. Dr. Dorine C. Fabor

Greater Middleton Chapel AME Church

Committal

Benediction

Final Viewing

Recessional

## Obituary

Welton Vernon Smalls, Jr, of North Charleston, South Carolina passed away on Thursday, April 11, 2024.

Welton, who was affectionally called "Tazz" was born on August 16, 1984 to Patricia Smalls-Palmer and the Late Welton Vernon Smalls Sr.

Tazz was educated in the Charleston County Public Schools System and attended Wando High School.

He was reared in the Garden of Prayer Pentecostal Holiness Church under the leadership of the Late Bishop Alfred H. Jefferson. Due to his spiritual upbringing and hearing his granny Bertha greeting the saints of God, out of respect Tazz would greet the elder saints by saying "Praise The Lord" when he saw them or spoke with them on the telephone. Tazz could quote a bible scripture with no hesitation and was known for texting scriptures and devotionals to whomever number he had in his cell phone.

Tazz had a friendly smile and was a lovable person. In his spare time he enjoyed playing chess, video games, cooking, and listening to music of the 90's. He enjoyed basketball and his favorite NBA team was the Pheonix Suns.

He was preceded in death by his father Welton Vernon Smalls, Sr, siblings Vaughn Welton Lewis, Sylvia Dell Marie Brooks-McCroy, Lamont Brooks and Dawnyell Palmer, grandparents Samuel Smalls, Pearl Simmons Smalls and James Coaxum-Ford, aunts Gail Smalls, Betty Smalls, Shirley Brooks, and Vanessa Ford, and uncle Sylvester Wright.

He leaves to cherish his memories his son Welton Vernon Smalls, III, mother Patricia Smalls-Palmer, stepfather Mervin Palmer, Sr, grandmother Alberta Ford, siblings Albert V. Brooks, Francis Ford, Washington and Ashley P. Smalls, step-siblings Mervin Palmer, Jr and Daniele Palmer, uncles Samuel Smalls, Jr, James Ford, Jr, Anthony Ford, Derrick Ford and Eric Ford, aunts Brenda Brooks, Cathy Young, Lorraine Stoneworth (Darryl), Sandra Moutrie (James), Jametta Ford and Edrenia Wright and a host of nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins, other family members and friends to cherish his memories.



## I'M FREE

Don't grieve for me for now I'm free,  
I'm following the path God laid for me,  
I took his hand when I heard him call,  
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day,  
To laugh, to love, to work or play.

Tasks left undone must stay that way,  
I've found that peace at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void,  
Then fill it with remembered joy.

A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,  
Ah yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow,  
I wish for you the sunshine of tomorrow.

My life's been full, I've savored much,  
Good friends, good times,

my loved one's touch.  
If my time seemed all too brief,

Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.  
Lift up your heart, rejoice with me,  
God wanted me now, He set me free.



EVERY BLOCK  
IS A  
LITTLE  
DIFFERENT

# HOMEGOING SERVICE A CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Mr. Welton Vernon  
**Tazz**  
Smalls, Jr.

AUGUST 16, 1984 ~ APRIL 11, 2024

SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2024 AT 11:00AM  
GARDEN OF PRAYER PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS CHURCH  
2537 HIGHWAY 17 NORTH • MT. PLEASANT, SC

MICHAEL A. TURNER, PASTOR  
~INTERMENT~

MOUNT PLEASANT MEMORIAL GARDENS

## *Pallbearers*

Mr. Fred Cockley  
Mr. Mark Coxum  
Mr. Fabian Jefferson  
Mr. Tyrone Johnson  
Mr. Harold Rouse, Jr  
Mr. Shartik Smalls

## *Honorary Pallbearers*

Mr. Derrick Cockley  
Mr. Anthony (AJ) Ford, Jr  
Mr. Antwon Ford  
Mr. James (Jimmy) Ford, III  
Mr. Travis Lawrence  
Mr. James (JT) Moultrie, Jr

## *Floral Bearers*

Ushers of the Church

## *The Family of the Late*

~Mr. Welton 'Tazz'  
Vernon Smalls, Jr

would like to extend sincere gratitude for  
all expressions of kindness and comfort  
shown during their period of  
bereavement.

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